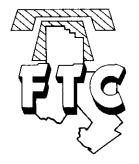
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Annual Certification Filing

This is to certify that Federated Telephone Cooperative will use its *Interstate Common Line Support and Long Term Support – ICLS* only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and service for which the support is intended.

I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of the company named above. This certification is for the study area(s) listed below.

Company Name	State	Study Area Code
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Sincerely,

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